

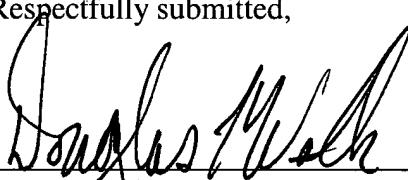
**REMARKS**

In response to the Office Action mailed December 22, 2003, Applicant has amended the Title, moved the Abstract of the Disclosure to a new page, which abstract is attached herewith, and corrected the typographical error in claim 18. In addition, a Terminal Disclaimer is filed herewith.

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that all claims are allowable upon filing of a Terminal Disclaimer. Applicant had originally filed a Preliminary Amendment canceling claims 1 – 17. This Preliminary Amendment was either not received or not entered. In light of the Examiner's indication that claims 1 – 17 are allowable, Applicant wishes to have these claims included in the issued patent. Because they were originally cancelled, they are indicated in this Amendment as cancelled and are represented as claims 25 – 41. Claims 25 – 41 are identical to original claims 1 – 17, and remain allowable.

In light of the above, it appears that all claims are now in condition for allowance.

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